

NETWORK DESIGN

The ability to evaluate the needs of an organization and then design and implement network solutions is a valuable skill in today's connected workplace. This event provides recognition for FBLA members who demonstrate an understanding of and ability to apply these skills.

ELIGIBILITY

Each district may be represented by one team consisting of two to three members, one of which may return another year. If one member of the winning district team cannot attend the state conference, a substitute is allowed. (See policy pages regarding competitive events.) The participants must qualify as active FBLA members to be eligible for this event.

REGULATIONS

1. An entry form must be postmarked no later than March 17.
2. Only one of the two to three team members may have entered this event at a previous State Leadership Conference.
3. A participant who fails to report on time for the event may be DISQUALIFIED.
4. Participants must adhere to the dress code approved by the executive council.

PROCEDURES

1. Participants report to the supervisor of the event at the location designated in the program five minutes prior to starting time.
2. One hour is allowed for the entire event including the giving of instructions and the distribution and pickup of tests.
3. Team members will take one test collectively.
4. The test may consist of questions on network administration, configuration of networks, computer software, hardware, needs analysis techniques.
5. Scratch paper is furnished.
6. Participants are responsible for furnishing their own #2 pencils and erasers for this event.
7. Participants are identified by the district they represent.
8. One or more local chapter advisers serve as supervisors to ensure that the procedures are followed and completed.

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JUDGING

Results are based on the number of correct items.

The participant with the greatest number of correct answers is the winner.

Ties will be broken based on the order in which the tests were turned in. The test turned in the earliest will be the winner among those tied for a given position.

Judges identify the ranks of the participants on a winners' report sheet.

Graded papers are NOT returned to participants or advisers.

AWARDS

Plaques are presented to the winners of first through fifth places as long as finances are available. Certificates are given to participants winning sixth through tenth places.

REPRESENTATION AT NATIONAL

The first place team is entitled to represent the state chapter at the National Leadership Conference.

If any member of the first place team is unable to attend the National Leadership Conference, the state adviser selects a replacement—preferably from individuals on the teams placing second, third, fourth, or fifth in the order of their ranking.